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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND  
DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

April 26, 2005

GREENSFELDER HEMKER & GALE PC  
SUITE 2000  
10 SOUTH BROADWAY  
ST LOUIS, MO 63102  
US

Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10776753 in the amount of \$450.00 has been denied .

Small entity status fee not refundable. The time has expired for the refund of this fee. A refund based on establishment of small entity status may only be obtained if a verified statement under 37 CFR 1.27 and a request for the refund of excess amount are filed within three months of timely payment of the full fee (37 CFR 1.28).

Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ  
Technical Center Others  
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